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TOLEDO, OH – Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP is pleased to announce that James R. Carnes, partner in the Toledo office, has been inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL), one of the premier legal associations in North America. The induction ceremony took place before an audience of 850 at the College's annual meeting, held in New Orleans, Louisiana on Saturday, September 29, 2018.

Founded in 1950, the College is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship in the College is extended by invitation only and only after careful investigation, to those experienced trial lawyers of diverse backgrounds, who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility and collegiality. Lawyers must have a minimum of fifteen years trial experience before they can be considered for Fellowship.

Membership in the College cannot exceed one percent of the total lawyer population of any state or province. There are currently approximately 5,800 members in the United States and Canada, including active Fellows, Emeritus Fellows, Judicial Fellows (those who ascended to the bench after their induction) and Honorary Fellows. The College maintains and seeks to improve the standards of trial practice, professionalism, ethics, and the administration of justice through education and public statements on independence of the judiciary, trial by jury, respect for the rule of law, access to justice, and fair and just representation of all parties to legal proceedings. The College is thus able to speak with a balanced voice on important issues affecting the legal profession and the administration of justice.

Jamie serves as co-administrator of the firm's litigation practice. With 20 years of experience, Jamie has tried cases in both federal and state courts across the U.S. He received his J.D., *cum laude*, from The University of Toledo College of Law and his B.S. from Eastern Michigan University.

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